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PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that DANNY J. FULLER, 47, Shelbyville, Indiana, was sentenced to six months home confinement with electronic monitoring and two years probation late Friday by U.S. District Judge David F. Hamilton following his guilty plea to embezzlement of labor union funds by an officer. This case was the result of a several month investigation by the United States Department of Labor.

Danny J. Fuller was elected as the Financial Secretary of the Glass Molders Plastics Local 32 labor union in October 1999, a union that represents the hourly employees of Knauf Fiberglass in Shelbyville, Indiana. Between October 1999 and October 2002, when Fuller lost his bid for reelection, Fuller embezzled \$19,546.19 of labor union funds in several ways.

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Fuller charged numerous personal charges on the labor union credit card he had obtained and paid the bills with union funds. Examples of these charges included cat food, Nascar items, and concert tickets. Fuller also compensated himself for lost time and day off pay when he did not in fact conduct union business. The investigation also revealed other payments made to him for salary advances and other funds that he was not otherwise entitled. Fuller admitted his conduct in a letter he sent to the International Union in October 2002 when he lost the election. Fuller has cooperated in the investigation and has been ordered to pay back the funds. Fuller has made some restitution already in the amount of \$680.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Hamilton also ordered FULLER to make restitution in the amount of \$19,546.19, imposed a fine of \$2,000 and ordered 100 hours of community service.

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